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OFFICE OF  
INSPECTOR GENERAL

Mr. Jason Smathers  
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request (HQ-FOI-0760-12)

Dear Mr. Smathers:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated January 20, 2012, seeking disclosure of "All OGE Form 202, 'Notice of Conflict of Interest Referral Form' received in calendar year 2011." On February 6, 2012, your request (OGE FOIA FY 12/19) was referred from the Office of Government Ethics to the Environmental Protection Agency.

The referred document responsive to your request is enclosed. Some redactions of information have been made to the document pursuant to the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, Sections (b)(6), (b)(7)(a) and (b)(7)(c). Exemption (b)(6) exempts from disclosure any information the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. The names of individuals have been withheld pursuant to Exemption (b)(6). Exemption (b)(7)(a) exempts from disclosure records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes to the extent that the production of such records could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings. Exemption (b)(7)(c) provides protection for personal information in law enforcement records the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. The names of law enforcement agents have been withheld pursuant to Exemption (b)(7)(c).

If you consider this to be a partial denial, you may appeal this denial to the Counsel to the Inspector General, Office of Counsel, Office of Inspector General, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Mail Code (2411T), Washington, D.C. 20460, Fax (202) 566-0870, e-mail [oigfoia@epa.gov](mailto:oigfoia@epa.gov). The appeal must be made in writing and must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The appeal letter should include the FOI number listed above. If possible the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may contact Shushona Hyson, Freedom of Information Officer at (202) 566-0869.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Helen A. Mollick". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Helen" and last name "Mollick" clearly distinguishable.

Helen A. Mollick  
Senior Associate Counsel  
Office of Counsel

Enclosure

cc: FOIA office